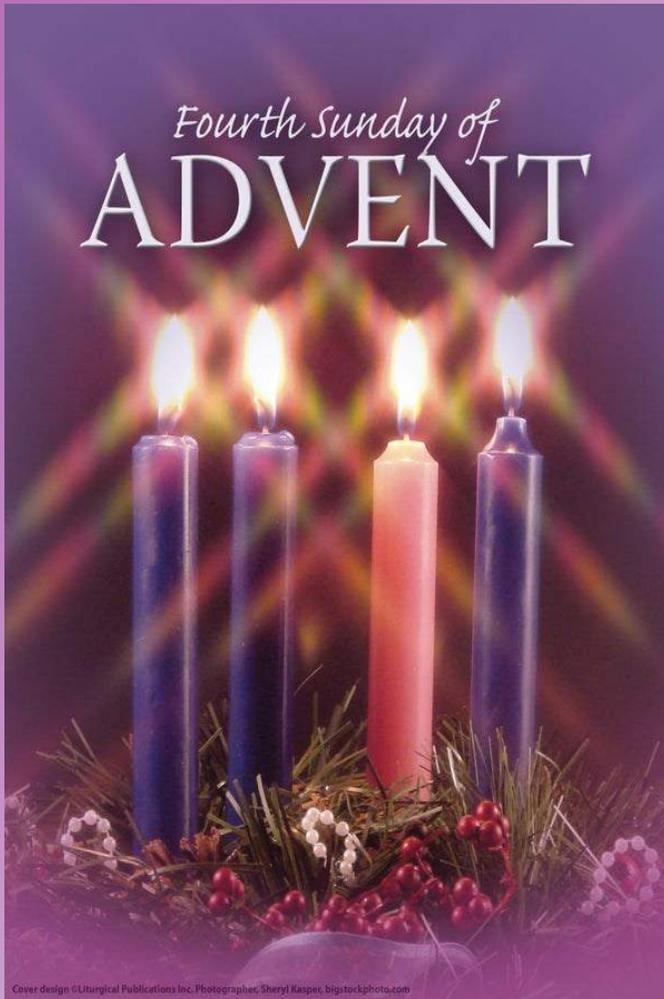


SAINT ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

1017 JEFFERSON ST * FOLLANSBEE WV

December 24, 2023



*'Blessed are you
who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord
would be fulfilled'
- Luke 1:45*

Sacramental Schedule

Sunday Masses

Saturday4:00 PM
Sunday 8:00AM &
10:30AM

Weekday Masses

MondayNO Mass
Tuesday 6:00PM
Wednesday7:30AM
Thursday 6:00 PM
Friday7:30AM

Holy Days of Obligation: Vigil Mass 4:00PM

Confessions: Saturday 3pm-3:30PM or by appointment

Baptism & Marriage: Please contact the parish office as soon as possible to begin Sacramental Preparation and scheduling.

RCIA: Please contact the parish office for more information.

Parish Prayer Line: Please call Mary Lou Mirasola (304-527-2261) or Mary Catherine Croce (304-527-3150)

Pastor...Rev. Jude Perera, TOR - jperera@dwc.org

Parish Secretary: DeEtta Bertucci -stanthonychurch@comcast.net

Bookkeeper.....Susan Targoss—stanthonychurch@comcast.net

Music DirectorAttilio Boni - 304-670-2745

Sacramental Prep, Adult Formation, RCIA—Fred & Chris Welshans - sacdre@comcast.net

Director of Religious Education & Youth Ministry - stanthony-sistersdre@comcast.net & stanthony-sistersyouth@comcast.net
The Sisters of "The Daughter of Holy Mary of the Heart of Jesus"

St. Francis Centre Manager.....Jim DeMundo - 304-559-7454

St. Francis Centre - 304-527-1279

Parish Staff & Office Hours
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
8:30am - 3:30pm
304-527-2286
304-527-2548 (fax)

St. Anthony Catholic Church Mission Statement:

We as a parish family strive to be a vibrant Catholic Community supporting and nurturing each person on his or her faith journey with Christ.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 23	4:00 pm	Andrew & Audrey Prekup +	Req by: Larry & Ruth Prekup
Sunday, December 24	9:00 am	Priest Intentions	
Sunday, December 24	4:00pm	CMA	
Sunday, December 24	midnight	People of the Parish	
Monday, December 25	9:00am	People of the Parish	
Tuesday, December 26	6:00 pm	NO MASS	
Wednesday, Dec 27	7:30am	NO MASS	
Thursday, Dec 28	6:00pm	NO MASS	
Friday, December 29	7:30am	Joe & Gerri Settimio +	Req by: Robin Jackson
Saturday, December 30	4:00 pm	People of the Parish	
Sunday, December 31	8:00 am	Priest Intentions	
Sunday, December 31	10:30am	Priest Intentions	

Liturgical Minister - Christmas Eve

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary</u>	<u>Minister</u>	<u>Server</u>
4pm	Jennifer Turbanic & Sophia Turbanic	NEEDED		NEEDED
12mid	Mary Kay Olashuk	Lynn Wright		David Velego & Mary E Andriano
<i>Christmas Day</i>				
9am	Jill Mazzella	NEEDED		John Bayardi
<i>New Years Schedule - January 1</i>				
9am	Mary Kay Olashuk	NEEDED		David Velego/ Jim B.

Readings for the Week

Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29/ Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38
Monday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20; Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
Tuesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22
Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Thursday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8/Mt 2:13-18
Friday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/Lk 2:22-35
Saturday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Lk 2:36-40
Next Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Sanctuary Lamp is burning in memory of

Joseph Martino & James Weidle

This lamp will burn from:
December 23 to December 29

Requested by Michele Fernandez



May the blessing of the Holy Family this Christmas season be with you and yours as we celebrate the birth of our Lord, and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Merry Christmas,

Father Jude, Attilio, Jim, DeEtta & Susan

Prayer Intentions

Penne Buchmelter, Ricky Casini, Lorraine Durante, Suzette Gallagher, Joann Klakos, Susan Kurcina, Marlene Latoria, Anthony Martino, Bill McFadden, Mary Lou Marisola, Allen Negri, Niko Nemeth, Ed Nutter, Paul Nutter, Juliana Petruccioli, Margaret Duante Rateau, Kelsey Rees, Daniel Taczozza, Natalie Teaff, Alexander Thompson, Marlene Warman Jeff Yost Sr, and Ruth Ann Yost.

*please contact the office to add/remove names

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS
Friday after 7:30 a.m. Mass



To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, to report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Fr. Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

Parish Announcements

Thank you to the Altar & Rosary Society for their Christmas breakfast.

A 2nd collection will be taken on January 14th for the Holy Land region. This money will be sent to CNEWA, a papal agency for humanitarian and pastoral support. They will provide water, food and emergency kits on the ground in the Holy Land. CNEWA has offices in the region and knows where & what kind of help is most needed. Checks are to be made payable to St. Anthony's church with *CNEWA Holy Land collection* in the memo.

Upcoming Events

- * January 5: 9am Mass, Adoration & Anointing

Christmas Schedule

December 23: 4pm Mass

December 24: 9am Sunday Mass (4th Sunday of Advent)

December 24: 4pm Christmas Eve Mass (*incense used*)

December 24: 11:30pm—carols and Midnight Mass (*incense used*)

December 25: 9am Christmas Day Mass (only Mass of the day) ***There are no 8am & 10:30am Masses on December 24th***

New Years Schedule

December 30: 4pm Mass (Vigil) Feast of the Holy Family

December 31: 8am & 10:30 Sunday Masses

December 31: 11:30pm—Benediction for the New Year (*incense used*)

January 1st: 9am New Years Mass & Blessings of Vehicles (*incense used*)

Reminder- the annual dues for the Altar & Rosary Society, Holy Name & Knights of Columbus are now due. Please use your envelopes provided by the church or organization. Thanks for your prompt payment.

A word of thanks! Merry Christmas to all! Special thank you to all the volunteers who dedicated their time, talent and donated graciously to the beauty of the liturgical environment. Take note of the beautiful wreath surrounding the church. Evergreen—a symbol of God's everlasting love for us in the shape of a circle, which has no beginning, and no end represent the beautiful gift God gave to the world. These symbols are signs of God's love, which never ends for us both in this life and in the next life. The red poinsettia surrounding the nativity represents the blood of Christ that he shed for us to give us eternal life; the purity and white and gold a the altar are reflective of the joys of Heaven to come. Merry Christmas, from everyone on the Liturgical Environment Committee.

Secret Angel—The Altar & Rosary members are reminded to mail their cards to let their Secret Angels know that you have been praying for them. Thank you.

Our parish is dedicated to ministering to the sick, the hospitalized, the homebound and those in nursing homes. Please call the parish office if you would like to receive the Sacraments of the Anointing of the Sick or Holy Communion. Please inform the parish staff if you are aware of a member of our community who is seriously ill.

MASS INTENTIONS

For 2024

ARE NOW ACCEPTED!!

All spaces are filled for the 2023 year for both Mass intentions and sanctuary candles. The calendar has opened to schedule Mass intentions for the first quarter of 2024 (**January, February & March**). Sanctuary candles for the entire year are also open for scheduling.

Thank you.

CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

St. Anthony's CSA goal for 2023 is 23,295. We have collected 11,475 from 56 gifts. We are currently at 49% of our goal. Please consider a donation and thank you to those who have already contributed to this appeal. At 50 % we can apply for a grant and every amount donated after comes back to the church.

UPCOMING DIOCESAN COLLECTION

- December 25 - Catholic Charities West Virginia
- January 14 - CNEWA (those affected by the war in Israel)
- January 21 - Church in the Developing World

FRIENDLY REMINDER...All Commemorative Mass fees are due before the end of the year. Any unpaid members will be removed for 2024. Contact the office at 304-527-2286 if you have questions or concerns. Thank you.



DECEMBER 10TH COLLECTION

Offertory	3464.00
Loose Contributions	251.00
Children's Due	2.00
Friday Friends	120.00
Christmas Flowers	185.00
Debt Reduction	70.00
Major Improvements	60.00
Immaculate Conception	568.00
Retiring Priest Fund	518.00

Total: 5258

Attendance: 145

Thank you for your stewardship! Your generous donations will help to keep our obligations current. Reminder: please use the contribution envelopes provided to ensure the appropriate credit to your account. Thank You!

DECEMBER 17TH COLLECTION

Due to early transmission, the totals for this week are not available.